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THE ASSOCIATION was founded in 1825, its object being "to diffuse the knowledge and promote the interests of pure Christianity." In furtherance of this purpose the Association publishes books, reports, and tracts; supports missionaries; establishes and maintains churches, and aids in supporting ministers; assists students in preparing for the ministry; and helps fellow-citizens of foreign birth and speech in entering upon their American life. It administers endowments for the benefit of schools and churches of the Unitarian order; for the relief of poor and worthy ministers and the widows of ministers; for providing public lectures in centers of population; for the benefit of schools for colored people in the South; and for many other beneficent purposes.

THE ALLIANCE OF UNITARIAN WOMEN

THE ALLIANCE was organized in 1890, and has for its aims primarily to quicken the religious life of the Unitarian churches, and to bring the women of the denomination into closer acquaintance, co-operation and fellowship; to promote local organizations of women for missionary and denominational work; to bring them into helpful association; to collect and disseminate information regarding all matters of interest to the denomination, such as needs of local societies, facilities for meeting these needs, work to be done, the collection and distribution of money, and in general to devise ways and means for the most efficient usefulness of the women of the Unitarian fellowship.

THE YOUNG PEOPLE'S RELIGIOUS UNION

THE UNION was organized in 1896, and its purposes are to foster the religious life; to bring the young people of the Unitarian churches into closer relations with one another; and to spread rational views of religion and to put into practice such principles of life and duty as tend to uplift mankind. The cardinal principles of the Union are truth, worship and service. It maintains a field secretary to promote the organization of the young people and to extend the fellowship of the Union.

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Ministerial Personals

Rev. A. Thompson has accepted a call to Vancouver and Victoria, B.C., beginning in the fall.

Rev. C. W. Porter-Shirley has resigned at Geneseo, Ill., to accept a call to Attleboro, Mass.

Rev. R. B. Wintersteen has resigned at Pittsburgh (Northside), Pa., to accept a call to Uxbridge, Mass.

Rev. G. L. Thompson has resigned at Northfield, Mass., to accept a call to Whitman, Mass.

Rev. A. R. Shelander will have charge during the summer of the work at Montague, Mass.

Summer Meetings

The summer offers an array of attractive and inspiring opportunities for the ministers and members of our churches. The work at the Unitarian House at Chautauqua, N.Y., will go forward as in previous summers, under the experienced direction of Rev. George H. Badger of Orlando, Fla. The House will open on or about the 21st of June. The summer meetings at Andover, N.H., begin in connection with the meeting of the New Hampshire State Conference on Sunday, June 25, and extend through the week, closing on July 2. The Unitarian Ministers' Institute under the auspices of the Unitarian Laymen's League will be held at Phillips Academy, Andover, Mass., July 3 to 8. The Isles of Shoals summer meetings begin at Star Island on July 8, extending through the 22d. The summer meetings of the Young People's Religious Union go forward at Star Island during the succeeding week, and the Sunday School Institute is to be held there from July 29 to August 12. The committees in charge of all these gatherings have issued handsome and alluring programs. Additional Sunday School Institutes are announced for Meadville, Pa., June 28 to July 7, at Los Angeles, Calif., June 3 to 9, and at Berkeley, Calif., June 12 to 16.

Journeys

An unusual number of the ministers and people of our fellowship are planning to be in Europe during the summer and it is hoped that many of them will arrange their journeys so as to attend the meeting of the International Council at Leyden, Holland, August 28 to 30. Sunday, September 3, is also to be observed as an American Day in the Unitarian churches in London, and there will probably be some kind of reception at Essex Hall for the traveling Unitarians, on the following day.

A number of our ministers have already sailed. Among them are Prof. F. A. Christie of Meadville, Rev. C. S. S. Dutton of San Francisco, Rev. W. C. Brown, field secretary, Rev. H. E. B. Speight of King's Chapel, and Rev. Roderick Stebbins of Milton.

Through the generous interest of friends of the cause three of our ministers are to visit the Unitarian churches in Transylvania in July. These representatives were officially commissioned at the Annual Meeting of the Association on May 23. The delegation consists of Rev. L. C. Cornish, Secretary of the Association, Rev. Palfrey Perkins, Secretary of the General Conference, and Rev. H. E. B. Speight. They will be joined by an English representative, Rev. Lawrence Redfern of Ullet Road Church, Liverpool.

The President of the Association, Dr. Eliot, expects to sail in the middle of July on a brief trip primarily to attend the meeting of the World Alliance for International Friendship in Copenhagen, August 6 to 12, and the Leyden Council.

Other ministers who plan to be in Europe are Rev. P. R. Frothingham of Arlington Street Church, Rev. E. S. Forbes, Rev. E. R. Shippen of the Second Church, Boston, Rev. E. E. Meredith of Watertown, and Rev. A. H. Robinson of Plainfield, N.J.

Other ministers, resisting the lure of Europe, will spend their summer on the Pacific Coast. Dr. Florence Buck has already started and Rev. H. W. Foote and Rev. G. R. Dodson are soon to go to California.

Department of Church Extension

During the coming year the Department will strive to bring forward the churches of the Fellowship which are temporarily backward. Such has been the policy for the year which has passed and the results in many cases have been very gratifying. Some of the old roots of the liberal faith in New England have shown surprising vigor and capacity for new life. The work of revival has been among the most significant things which have been done. Churches, reported as in the state of suspended animation or about to die, have put forth new strength. The timely word of counsel accompanied in some cases with financial assistance has brought about magical results. Such results in reality represent new assets in our denominational work. Our prestige is not only saved, but advanced. Every church failure is a far-reaching loss, and so far as is humanly possible such losses must be prevented.

At the Annual Meeting the accession to our ranks of the Clifton Evangelical Church, Louisville, Ky., was reported. It comes to us with its minister, its membership of about two hundred, its Sunday school of one hundred and ten scholars, and its thoroughly equipped plant. Another accession is the People's Church in Virginia, Minn. This church has been for some years under the leadership of Dr. Henry Clark. About two hundred and fifty people attend the Sunday services. A Laymen's League has been formed, and a Sunday school organized by Miss Taft. A lot for a church building has been secured and held by a member of the church. Our Finnish church, and our leader, Rev. Risto Lappala, have had great influence in making the Unitarian Fellowship attractive to the People's Church.

Rev. Oswald E. Helsing has been called from the Ministry-at-Large to the permanent ministry of the church in St. Cloud, Minn. Mr. Helsing will also continue his work with the Scandinavians of the Northwest, particularly at Underwood. During the past year he has been successful in reorganizing the church life and work in St. Cloud, and for the first time in some years the church is taking its place again among the active and religious forces of the community.

Department of Religious Education

The Department of Religious Education has just completed the first ten years of its history, having begun its activities on the first day of June, 1912. At that time the Unitarian Sunday School Society, which, since 1827, had directed the denominational work of religious education, transferred its executive functions to the newly organized Department. It was fitting, therefore, that the anniversary was celebrated by the presentation of a report of the work done by the Department at the Annual Meeting of the Unitarian Sunday School Society on May 25, especially as the Secretary of the Department is also President of the Sunday School Society. Dr. Lawrance called attention to the outward signs of progress, in the greatly enlarged office space, the establishment of the metropolitan branch at New York City, and the increase of the working force of the Department from two to seven full-time and three part-time workers. During the ten years that have elapsed the members of the Department have visited the great majority of our church schools in the United States and Canada, the time of service in each case being from a day to a month. They have held twenty-nine summer institutes for religious education at the Shoals, Meadville and other places, and local institutes, each of several days' duration, with single churches and groups of churches, at other times in the year. An evening training-school continuing through sixteen weeks has been held at office headquarters. Several schools have, at their own request, been carefully surveyed, typewritten reports of conditions found and suggestions as to improvements being afterward submitted to the officers of the school and church. The Beacon Course in Religious Education has, during these ten years, been wholly planned and largely completed, and has taken a foremost place among courses of study offered by the various denominations and publishing houses. This course has distinctive features, some of them unique, and has been commended by the foremost educators in the highest terms. These achievements, set forth in the address of the President, were cited, to show that the Unitarian Sunday School Society had not only made no mistake in committing its offices to the Department of Religious Education, but had in that act taken a long and most important forward step. The situation with regard to religious education, both within the denomination and in our place among the leaders in this field in this country, is most satisfactory.

The Star Island Institute for Religious Education is to be carried on this year even more strongly than it was in 1921. The attendance is expected to be larger, and the teaching staff stronger. The three secretaries of the Department will give courses of lectures and will be in charge. Prof. Theodore G. Soares of the University of Chicago, Rev. Hilary G. Richardson of Yonkers, Prof. Clayton R. Bowen of the Meadville Theological School, and Dr. William Byron Forbush of Philadelphia, are the other members of the teaching staff. Social and recreational features are also to be increased in number and attractiveness. The Laymen's League is chiefly responsible for the financing of the Institute, which it plans primarily for the benefit of its own members and their families, in the hope of enlisting an increasing number of our people, especially the men, in the schools connected with their several churches. This Department has at the same time a large share in the enterprise, and we arrange the entire course of instruction. This institute, like that of 1921, promises to be an event of denominational importance. The dates will be July 29 to August 12.

A year ago we held our first institute for religious education on the Pacific

Coast, a two weeks' session at Berkeley, Calif. So great interest was shown that this year we are holding two institutes, the first at Los Angeles, June 5 to 9, and the second at Berkeley, June 12 to 16. Dr. Buck is now on the Coast, having full charge of these institutes. She will be assisted by President Wilbur of the Pacific Unitarian School for the Ministry, and other prominent religious educators in that vicinity. The Meadville Institute is to be revived this year, after four years' intermission. Dr. Lawrance and Mr. Fairley will be in charge, assisted by Rev. Hilary G. Richardson, whose Old Testament lectures at Star Island aroused so great interest last summer, and Miss D. Louise Henderson, one of our field workers. Dr. Benjamin S. Winchester will also give five lectures on the general subject of religion and childhood. The nine institutes previously held at Meadville proved to be both delightful and profitable, bringing this Department into vital contact with the churches in the Mid-Western States. From the first the Meadville Theological School has coöperated heartily, placing its grounds, buildings and library at the disposal of the Institute, and for a time making the institute lectures a part of its regular summer quarter's work.

Miss Nicolay's "Peter and Paul and Their Friends" is now in page proof, and will certainly be ready for use in our schools when they reopen in September. It is graded for pupils fourteen years old, and immediately follows Dr. Buck's "The Story of Jesus." Orders for this book may be placed at any time.

The New York office has been occupied with the work in Jamaica, N.Y., to the exclusion of almost everything else. Mr. Fairley, however, spoke in Boston at the Tuckerman School Luncheon on May 19, at the Annual Meeting of the Unitarian Sunday School Society on May 25, and at the Thomas Paine Memorial Association in New Rochelle, N.Y., on May 30.

The Wayside Pulpit

All Unitarian churches which use the Wayside Pulpit were supplied with a special set of sheets for use during the Membership Campaign which came to so successful a conclusion at Easter. These sheets were attractively printed in red and black and included the statement of our faith. They attracted a great deal of attention, and helped in the Campaign.

The regular shipment of Wayside Pulpit sheets, sent out the first of January, contained thirteen sheets. There were ten of the special campaign sheets. Three sheets were sent the first of April, including a suitable one for Easter. This makes twenty-six sheets, sufficient for the twenty-six weeks from the first of January till the end of June.

The next regular shipment of sheets is now being printed and will be shipped immediately. It contains thirteen sheets, to cover the time from the end of June till the end of September.

As this includes the usual vacation period of most churches, it is important that plans be made for some one to have charge of changing the sheets regularly. Especially when a church is closed, the Wayside Pulpit should be supplied with sheets, for it preaches all the time. In the summer, also, there are more people on the streets, and this gives the Wayside Pulpit a larger opportunity, with its vital messages.

The Alliance of Unitarian and Other Liberal Christian Women

Headquarters: Room 10, 25 Beacon Street, Boston, Mass.

Miss Lucy Lowell, *President* Mrs. Lucia Clapp Noyes, *Treasurer*
Mrs. Caroline S. Atherton, *Recording Secretary*

In Memoriam

Died in Tarrytown, N.Y.
May 10, 1922, unexpectedly, peacefully

MRS. MARY B. DAVIS

Corresponding Secretary of The Alliance from November, 1890, to November, 1921, since that date
Honorary Secretary

She is not idle, in that higher sphere
Her spirit bends itself to loving tasks,
And strength to perfect what she dreamed of here
Is all the crown and glory that she asks.

As I look back upon the twelve years when I worked in close touch with Mrs. Davis, I recall what impressed me during all that time. It was her absolute devotion to the interests of The Alliance. She kept in touch with every branch in this country and Canada, by personal visits or through correspondence which always carried enthusiasm and cheer. Many a discouraged group of women has been roused to renewed effort. She said to me once that she hoped she might "die in the harness." The harness had slipped a little, but she had never laid it aside, and all who have worked with her, and loved her, must rejoice that she had her wish.

Emma C. Low,
President 1901–1913.

It was my privilege to work with dear Mrs. Davis four full years, years that increased my admiration of her, years that gave me inspiration, she was so alert, enthusiastic, optimistic, and above all so sincere and so consecrated.

No other member of The Alliance was so well and widely known and so beloved in the branches far and near. She has surely won the "Well done, good and faithful servant"; she has left us all a rich inheritance, and, with her abiding faith, she has entered into the joys of Eternal Life.

Anna M. Bancroft,
President 1913–1917.

For more than thirty years Mrs. Davis has been an inspiration to us all by her single-minded devotion to The Alliance. She loved the work to which she gave her life's best energies; she threw herself into it with unfailing enthusiasm and an optimism which carried all before it. We cannot mourn for one who has done her work; we can only rejoice that the end came as it did, and hold her in remembrance with the resolve to follow where she has led.

Lucy Lowell,
President.

Our hearts are full of the memory of a fellow-worker whose animating presence we have but recently lost. For more than thirty years Mary B. Davis has been a leader in all our associated endeavors, a stimulating speaker, a tireless traveler, a welcome visitor. Out of her abundant life, rich in all the durable satisfactions of experience, she vivified and enriched us all by her unfailing confidence and good cheer.

Samuel A. Eliot.

Anniversary Week

The annual business meeting of The Alliance was held at Tremont Temple, Wednesday, May 24, at 10 A.M. Miss Lowell, President, led the devotional service, in which all joined. She spoke in loving memory of Mrs. Davis, Corresponding Secretary for over thirty years.

Miss Lowell then read her annual report telling of the many miles traveled the past year and of the interest and enthusiasm she finds among Alliance women.

Mrs. Atherton, Recording Secretary, read her report telling of the work accomplished by the numerous committees. She urged each one to cherish the spiritual life. "We need more light, more warmth, more love."

The Treasurer, Mrs. Noyes, presented her report and made an appeal for the collection which was to be taken for missionary purposes, telling how helpful it is to have this fund to be used whenever needed.

It was voted to send cordial greetings to the Young People's Religious Union at their annual meeting, May 26, and to express our earnest desire to coöperate with them. The collection then taken for our missionary work amounted to $550.11.

Mrs. Herbert J. Gurney, Field Secretary of the Massachusetts Committee on Immigration and Americanization, was introduced and gave an inspiring address, pleading for more knowledge about immigration, for it is the most important problem before America. Immigrants are human beings like the rest of us; some are an asset, and some may prove a detriment to the country. We must get to know them on the human basis. The splendid qualities they now have must be added to the American ideal. We must think, love, talk, vote right, and be ourselves the ideal to which we wish to draw our foreign peoples.

Mr. Carl B. Wetherell, Pacific Coast Field Secretary, brought cordial greetings from the Pacific Coast, where he has found cordial coöperation and friendliness. More workers are needed and greater human contact; a joint worker for the Sunday-school and Young People's Religious Union; and some method must be worked out to relieve ministers of petty details and so free them for their greater work. Lay centers need to be established to create and sustain live contacts. Watchful waiting will not do; we must be live participants.

Cordial and affectionate greetings were voted to our branches on the Pacific Coast, with a special message to Victoria, B.C., and one to Edmonton, Alta.

Miss Jane Cummings, chairman of the Credential committee, reported as follows: 441 branch delegates present and 49 life members; 12 credentials sent by mail; 23 States and Canada were represented; 238 branches, as follows: Maine 4, New Hampshire 12, Vermont 4, Massachusetts 164, Rhode Island 3, Connecticut 2, New York 19, New Jersey 8, Pennsylvania 2, Delaware 1, Maryland 1, District of Columbia 1, Canada 2, North Carolina 1, Florida 1, Kentucky 1, Oklahoma 1 (by mail), Ohio 2, Michigan 1, Illinois 2, Missouri 1, Colorado 1, Washington 1, Oregon 1, California 2, and Louisiana 1 credential not handed to the committee; 5 Associate branches.

A devotional service conducted by Rev. Paul S. Phalen of West Newton, Mass., opened the afternoon session. Rev. Minot Simons paid a tribute to the memory of Mrs. Mary B. Davis, saying that no one was ever more devoted; her words and example, counsel and enthusiasm, always cheered and braced. It is impossible to tell what we owe to Mrs. Davis; she never spared herself, but always gave to the utmost. We are grateful to her.

Rev. Frederick M. Eliot of St. Paul, Minn., spoke on "The Appeal of Religion to Young People," which he called a most important and difficult subject. Something about our Unitarian religion does not appeal to them. It is vague, soft, dull. Our religion is vague because we seldom hear a definition of it in the church; there is no substance, nothing concrete. It is soft because the church does not demand anything of its members, there is no discipline. It is dull because without color. The remedy is to get back to true religion, which is thrilling. If our faith does not thrill young people, it is not true religion. First we must get the thrill into ourselves, and then we can pass it on. The Bible is the most important tool; the most thrilling things ever written down by man are there, just as thrilling to-day as when they were written. Let us have something so real, so important, so thrilling that the young people cannot get on without it. With this, religion will make its own appeal.

Rev. Roger S. Forbes of Germantown, Pa., spoke on "That which we do Most Earnestly Believe." One belief which we cannot get on without, if we have to sacrifice all others, is faith in the divine principle in each human soul, which is the heart of our religion. The exact opposite of our faith is materialism. Sow in the heart of human beings the liberal kernel, that they may be armed against this enemy, materialism. Our boys and girls are going to serve and save the world if armed in this way. Helps to this faith are the Gospels and letters of the New Testament, simple sentences from Channing, our Unitarian hymn-book, gripping convictions, churches, and services of worship.

"A New Consecration" was the subject of Rev. Miles Hanson, Roxbury, Mass., who said we must recognize that to which we want to consecrate ourselves. We are apt to confuse the means with the end. The Alliance does the most active work of the church, but it exists only as a means to something else,—to make women who see God, who hear God, the still small voice of the Father, who love God. How can we do this great work? Study the lives of those who have done it, read the lives of the saints who gave themselves to God; all loved solitude and spent hours in prayer. We must spend more time in prayer. The ideal church is one where we do not lay stress on beliefs, dogmas, or creeds, but on life lived with God. Souls to whom life is ugly come to our church. So toil and live that they will see God in his world. The Unitarian Church is a glorious guide to a loving God, leading men along the way of life.

A conference of Alliance presidents, held Friday, May 26, at 10 A.M., at 25 Beacon Street, was attended by 110 presidents or their alternates, from 18 States and Canada.

Among the subjects treated were the following: evening groups for business and professional women, which are always to be a part of the Alliance branch; ways of interesting young married women in the church and Alliance: a mothers' club; the study of Sunday-school problems; a Friendly Link for each; getting them to hold office; the importance of limiting the terms of office in order to interest more people.

The president of the New York League, Mrs. Alfred Robinson, paid a tribute to Mrs. Davis, whose spirit is still with us to encourage and cheer.

It was a helpful conference, but the best part of it was the meeting of representatives from East, West, North, and South. E. B. T.

Executive Board

At the regular meeting held in the Fifield Memorial Room at 25 Beacon Street, Boston, May 19, Miss Lowell

presiding, forty-four were present from Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont, Massachusetts, Rhode Island, New York, New Jersey, Delaware, District of Columbia, Ohio, Missouri, and Edmonton, Alta.

The devotional service conducted by Miss Lowell was in memory of Mrs. Mary B. Davis. Miss Lowell read a letter from Mrs. Davis's daughter, which seemed to bring a special message from our beloved Secretary. Miss Bancroft spoke of her recent happy call on Mrs. Davis at Tarrytown, N.Y. Mrs. Shewell brought a message of sympathy from Alliance women assembled at Chicago for the Western Conference. Later in the meeting, by rising vote a message of love and sympathy was sent to the two daughters of Mrs. Davis.

Miss Lowell gave a most interesting account of her six weeks' journey through the South and West with visits to Alliance groups in nine States. She emphasized the need of the personal touch and the importance of finding a field secretary who can give this.

The report of activities at Alliance Headquarters showed a very busy year, and a vote of appreciation was passed to our three faithful clerks in recognition of their unusual service which comes from their great interest in the work of The Alliance.

Following Mrs. Peterson's report of our Southern Circuit, Mrs. J. B. Damon, Superintendent of the Carolina Industrial School for two years, who was present by invitation, spoke of her experiences at Shelter Neck, N.C., the past winter, and declared her conviction that the time has come for Unitarian doctrine in the South. Arrangements have been made to have the Sunday-school continue its sessions through the summer.

On the recommendation of the Appeals committee it was voted that enough money be taken from the Missionary Fund, collected in May, 1921, to complete the Appeals for Jacksonville and Orlando, Fla., Westboro, Mass., and Victoria, B.C.

On the recommendation of the International committee it was voted to send cordial greetings to the British League of Unitarian Women for their annual meeting June 7, and greetings to the new Alliance of Unitarian Women in Budapest. Mrs. H. E. B. Speight was empowered to carry the greetings of The Alliance to any members of the British League, or any other liberal Christian women she may meet in Europe during the summer.

The following names have been placed *in memoriam:* Mrs. Lucia Wadsworth Shead by the Alliance of Eastport, Me.; Miss Eliza S. Clark by that of Sudbury, Mass.; Mrs. Rebecca Wade Wilcox, Melrose, by Chelsea, Mass., Alliance; Miss Agnes W. Lincoln by Medford, Mass., Alliance; Mrs. Abby J. Farnsworth by her sisters through Waltham, Mass., Alliance; Miss Lillian Churchill Thacher, Roxbury, Mass., by her sister, Miss Elisabeth B. Thacher.

Miss Helen Tufts announced that July 13 is to be Alliance Day at the Shoals, when there will be a conference in the morning, and Rev. Elizabeth Padgham of Rutherford, N.J., will give an address at the evening session.

Affectionate greetings were voted to Miss Ranstead, Maryland Director, with regret that she was kept by illness from attending the meeting as she had planned to do.

Miss Slade for the Badge committee reported that 7,305 Alliance pins have been sold. The committee hopes that every member will own one!

A letter from Rev. Palfrey Perkins, Secretary of the General Unitarian Conference, expressed cordial appreciation of the coöperation shown by The Alliance in sending, in response to its questionnaire, definite suggestions having to do with future sessions of the Conference.

Thirty-nine members sat down for luncheon together at Hotel Bellevue.

After the luncheon, greetings were received from many States. Mrs. Shewell, delegate of the Central Mississippi Valley Associate Alliance, who had just come from the Western Conference in Chicago, told of those meetings and made a plea for more interest in the Sunday-school.

Mrs. Robinson of Edmonton, Alta., whom it was a great pleasure to welcome to her first Board meeting, pictured the isolation of the great Northwest and told of the cheer and comfort Fellowship work brings.

Mrs. Warner of Wilmington, Del., paid a beautiful tribute to Mrs. Davis, and on her recommendation it was voted that the President be empowered to appoint a committee, to be known as the Mary B. Davis Memorial Committee, to present at the first meeting in the autumn plans for a fitting memorial to Mrs. Davis.

Other informal messages brought to an end a meeting abounding in good-fellowship.

CAROLINE S. ATHERTON,
Recording Secretary.

Committee on Young People

We are delighted to welcome two more Junior Alliances in New Hampshire, Littleton with 5 members and Charlestown with 15. Will Junior secretaries please send letters of greeting to both new secretaries? The officers are: *Pres.*, Miss Marion Bolton; *Sec.*, Miss Barbara Brown, Littleton, N.H.; *Treas.*, Miss Florence Chase. At Charlestown, *Pres.*, Miss Grace Adams; *Sec.*, Miss Pauline Richards, Charlestown, N.H.; *Treas.*, Miss May Miller.

Copies of *The Christian Register*, containing a picture of the little chapel, which is the Junior Alliance room in the Tuckerman School, have been sent to all groups of Juniors, and gifts for the room will be welcome at any time.

We wish to acknowledge with many thanks the following:

Previously acknowledged	$8.00
Medford, Mass.	1.00
Taunton, Mass.	5.00
Brookfield, Mass.	5.00
Newton, Mass.	1.00
Dorchester, Mass., Third Society	1.00
Keokuk, Ia.	2.00

The beautiful new light in the chapel is now the gift of the Juniors.

This committee appreciates the splendid reports sent in by so many groups and only regrets that there is not space for them all. A few quotations from some of them follow:

The *Berlin, Mass.*, Juniors have given a play, "A Rice Pudding," and also an entertainment called "A Kitchen Orchestra," the first number being "An Egg-beater Chorus." After that, with a motley assortment of household utensils,—feather dusters, strainers, tunnels, corn-poppers, etc.,—there followed a collection of popular, well-known, and patriotic songs.

Toledo, Ohio.—There are eleven girls in our club, ranging from fourteen to sixteen years of age. During the Christmas vacation we supplied a poor family with food and clothing and presents for the numerous children.

Keokuk, Ia.—We have a very small club, as we have such a small church. One member is ten years old and all the rest of us are from fourteen to sixteen. We give socials,—a recent one being a Mother Goose Social. We now have four Friendly Links.

New York League of Unitarian Women

By invitation of the Passaic Alliance the New York League of Unitarian Women held its final meeting in the church in Passaic, N.J., on Friday, May 5.

A delightful musical program under the direction of Mrs. Emil Boas opened the morning session. This

consisted of piano selections, vocal and violin solos, the artists being Mrs. Emil Boas, Miss Collins, and Miss Fisher. The session closed with a short address by Dr. J. P. MacCarthy. The collection was for the Southern Schools and amounted to $20.50.

In the afternoon the Executive Board decided upon four regular meetings for the ensuing year, time and place to be arranged for later. The Executive Board voted a contribution toward the work in France (in charge of Mme. Laura Loyson), Palestine, India, Germany, Holland, and the British League. The usual contribution was voted to the Poughkeepsie Branch. The Thomas Mott Osborne Prison Reform Publicity Association was voted $15.

ISABEL S. ABORN.

Northern California Associate Alliance

The spring meeting of the Associate Alliance of Northern California was held in the First Unitarian Church, Oakland, Thursday, April 27. After a good luncheon, well served, the ladies met in the church auditorium. Devotional services were led by Mrs. Caleb S. S. Dutton. The president, Mrs. J. J. Harris, presided. Mrs. Wyckoff brought greetings from our ever thoughtful President, Miss Lucy Lowell. She reported on the Fellowship work and read some suggestions sent by Mrs. Speight. The work grows slowly, but is interesting. Mrs. Thompson told of Friendly Links. Mr. Wetherell gave a brief talk about the churches and Alliances on this coast.

Mrs. Harris had attended the meeting of the Associate Alliance of Southern California—a most interesting one. She received several fine ideas and asked the members there to coöperate with us in two things—to contribute to Unitarian Headquarters in San Francisco and to assist the Long Beach church. Moved and carried, to send letter of love to Miss Lowell. Prof. W. S. Morgan then read a strong paper on "Woman in Religion and Politics." The ladies of Woodland Alliance invited us to meet with them in the fall.

M. B. MCEWEN,
Secretary.

Brighton, Mass. The annual report of the Alliance of the First Parish in Brighton shows more than $2,225 raised and expended. Few branches can show such a report. Their church narrowly escaped destruction by fire in January, but the Brighton Alliance has continued to give to charities, and to respond to appeals, while raising money for the building fund and other local needs.

Victoria, B.C. Our branch wishes to thank every one who contributed to the Fair, which was held successfully on April 8. "Waist measurements"—quite generous!—and fancy and useful articles were sent from thirty to forty branches; and although most of these have been acknowledged by separate letter, yet the Victoria women wish to take this opportunity of thanking all for their kind response.

Salem, Ore. We thank all who were so generous in helping us. Aside from the gifts, many of the officers were kind enough to write encouraging letters urging our local society to greater efforts and offering to help in the future in every way. The goodwill, the spirit of helpfulness, the readiness to coöperate, is inspiring in itself, but especially to those of us who are on the "fighting front."

Grace Chapel Alliance will hold its Annual Fair at Grace Chapel, Green Harbor, Mass., August 9 and 10, 1922, afternoon and evening, and it solicits a continuance of the kindly favors of the past.

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Young People's Conference at Star Island, July 22 to 29, 1922

Morning Chapel and Evening Candle-light Services held daily

Saturday, July 22

7.45 P.M. Opening meeting. Short Addresses: "Purpose of the Conference," Miss Adeline B. Pfleghaar. "Traditions of the Shoals," Rev. William I. Lawrance, Th.D.
8.30 P.M. Get-Acquainted Social.

Sunday, July 23

10.30 A.M. Morning service in the Chapel. Sermon by Rev. Adelbert L. Hudson.
AFTERNOON. Seeing the Island.
5.00 P.M. Talk on the Rocks, by Rev. Frederick R. Griffin.
7.30 P.M. Address by Rev. Minot Simons, D.D.
8.30 P.M. Community Singing.

Monday, July 24

9.30–10.10 A.M. Lecture by Rev. Sydney B. Snow. Subject, "God."
10.15–10.45 A.M. Lecture by Rev. Hilary G. Richardson. Subject, "Where the Old Testament Stands in our Modern Life."
10.50–11.40 A.M. Discussion. Subject, "The Machinery of the Unitarian Denomination." Leader, Dr. Minot Simons.
AFTERNOON. Baseball: Girls *vs.* Boys.
5.00 P.M. Talk on the Rocks, by Mr. Griffin.
7.30 P.M. Address by Rev. Albert C. Dieffenbach, editor of *The Christian Register*.
8.30 P.M. Dancing.

Tuesday, July 25

5.30 A.M. Sunrise Service.
9.30–10.10 A.M. Lecture by Mr. Snow.
10.15–10.45 A.M. Lecture by Mr. Richardson. Subject, "The Light that the Pick and the Shovel have thrown upon the Old Testament."
10.50–11.40 A.M. Discussion. Subject, "Types of Young People's Meetings."
AFTERNOON. Field Sports.
5.00 P.M. Talk on the Rocks, by Mr. Griffin.
7.30 P.M. Address on "Young People's Dramatics in the Church," by Miss Mary Lawrance.
8.30 P.M. Marshmallow Toast.

Wednesday, July 26

9.30–10.10 A.M. Lecture by Mr. Snow.
10.15–10.45 A.M. Lecture by Mr. Richardson. Subject, "Who were the Prophets? With a Word about the Psalms."
10.50–11.40 A.M. Discussion. Subject, "Dramatics." Leader, Miss Lawrance.
AFTERNOON. Trip with Uncle Oscar.
5.00 P.M. Talk on the Rocks, by Mr. Griffin.
7.30 P.M. Address by a representative of the International Y. M. C. A.
8.30 P.M. Moonlight Sail.

Thursday, July 27

9.30–10.10 A.M. Lecture by Mr. Snow.
10.15–10.45 A.M. Lecture by Mr. Richardson. Subject, "The Young Person's Great Old Testament Book—Proverbs."
10.50–11.40 A.M. Discussion. Subject, "Service, Church, and Community."
AFTERNOON. Tennis Tournament Finals.
5.00 P.M. Talk on the Rocks, by Mr. Griffin.
7.30 P.M. Address.
8.30 P.M. Dancing.

Friday, July 28

9.30–10.10 A.M. Lecture by Mr. Snow.
10.15–10.45 A.M. Lecture by Mr. Richardson. Subject, "How the Old Testament Came to Us,—A Journey from Moses to the English Revised Version."
10.50–11.40 A.M. Discussion. Subject, "The National Organization and Work of the Young People's Religious Union."
AFTERNOON. Swimming Meet.
5.00 P.M. Talk on the Rocks, by Mr. Griffin.
6.30 P.M. Closing Banquet of the Conference, with special program.
8.30 P.M. Dancing.

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